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Subject Re: EWTP - NPDES permit No. WA-002666-2

Hi Betsy,

The letter transmitting the draft permit to Ecology at the beginning of the public comment period (dated January 23, 2007) stated that the 60-day clock for certification began with that letter, and the letter requesting final certification reiterated that. This timing has been our practice and, to my knowledge, has been accepted by the States of Alaska and Idaho, for which we are the permitting authority. I apologize if we did not communicate this expectation clearly.

The Fact Sheet should have been sent with the draft permit (fact sheets are not updated based on public comments). If it was not, it is available for download from our website, at this address:
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A draft of the response to comments is attached.

I interpret your message as a request for an additional 30 days to complete the final certification. I will raise that with management and let you know if we can allow that. Thank you for all your hard work on this project so far.

Thank you,

Brian Nickel

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Brian,

The recent draft NPDES permit No. WA-002666-2 was sent to Ecology March 8, 2007, and received on March 12, 2007. This final draft permit, after public notice, should be the version that starts the 60-day clock. Can you clarify why the January draft is identified in the March 8, as the start of the clock ?

Please send a copy of the associated Fact Sheet. The implications of the permit can not be fully understood without this document.

I would also appreciate a copy of the response to comments prepared by EPA.

Thanks.

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